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## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY UNDER 35 USC §371(c)(4) FOR PCT APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that; my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below under my name;

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought, namely the invention entitled: <u>FIBERS MEUT-SPUN FROM A THERMOPLASTIC ALTERNATING COPOLYMER AND A PROCESS FOR PREPARING SUCH FIBERS</u>

described and claimed in international application number PCI/EP 99/05475 filed July 26, 1999

I have reviewed and/understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

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Netherlands Patent Application No. 1009840 filed August 11, 1998

The following application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention were filed in countries foreign to the United States of America either (a) more than one year prior to my international application, or (b) before the filing date of the above-named foreign priority application(s):

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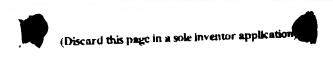
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